

**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Docket No.  
A280**To the Assistant Commissioner for Patents:**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Masayuki SHINOHARA

corresponding to Japanese application 2000-090444, filed  
March 29, 2000,

entitled: ARBITER CIRCUIT AND METHOD OF CARRYING OUT ARBITRATION

## Enclosed are:

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INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4 - 3 =	1	X\$ 80	80
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT			\$ 270	

**TOTAL** \$1474

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